

Home Circle

Over the Hills and Far Away

Over the hills and far away,
A little boy steals from his morning play,
And under the blossoming apple tree
He lies and dreams of things to be;
Of battles fought and victories won,
Of wrongs o'erthrown and of great deeds done—
Over the hills and far away!

Over the hills and far away,
It's O for the toil of the livelong day!
But it mattereth not to the soul aflame
With a love for riches and power and fame!
On, O man! while the sun is high—
On to the certain joys that lie
Yonder where blazeth the noon of day;
Over the hills and far away—
Over the hills and far away!

Over the hills and far away,
An old man lingers at close of day;
Now that his journey is almost done,
His battles fought and his victories won—
The old-time honesty and truth,
The trustfulness and the friends of youth,
Home and mother—where are they?
Over the hills and far away—
Over the hills and far away!

—Eugene Field.

BE COURTEOUS

DEBBIE MOWER

Be courteous at all times. In our homes, we should be kind and considerate to each other. Where parents are kind to each other and make home pleasant and attractive, the young people will stay at home evenings. I have in mind a young couple who don't get along very well. While the husband is good hearted and kind, his wife complains and scolds all the time, and in this way keeps up a continual strife. In another home, all is kindness. Before going to school in the morning the little ones go to the parents for their good-bye kiss. And on returning home, come for their kiss of greeting. When told to do anything, it is done immediately and cheerfully.

Another family of grown up boys comes to my mind. While they all respect their mother, they invariably sneer at every remark of the father. Father and sons never speak kindly or respectfully to each other. Even small children will find greater pleasure in the society of each other if they are kind and courteous.

At church we should be courteous. Always have a kind word, a smile and an extended hand to all we meet, especially to strangers. I am acquainted with a young man who came here to visit his sister, with the intention of staying if he could get work. He was a member of one of the churches at his home, and going to a church of the same denomination here, was unnoticed. He went again and yet no one spoke or offered to shake hands. He said "he couldn't stand living in such a place," and has now gone home. Often after persons are brought into a church they are neglected or treated with indifference till they backslide.

While at entertainments I have often been annoyed by some one whispering. It is not

only ungenerous to those who sit near, but an insult to the speaker.

In business the most courteous employer will receive the best services from his help; and an obliging clerk will be able to secure and hold a position where others will fail. In the professions there are some that are very well liked, while others just as capable are disliked on account of their manners. Because a skilled physician is uncivil and ill-mannered he will often be passed by for a pleasanter man with less skill. I think of an excellent lawyer who is disliked because he is scornful and blunt, often hurting people's feelings intentionally. Take courtesy as it is found in politics. A young man runs for office for the first time. He is kind and friendly to all with whom he comes in contact. He is elected. In a school room all should act with consideration and respect. Should any scholar less bright than the others make a mistake in reciting do not laugh or make light of him. The kindest teacher will succeed best. A young lady who began the first of the term was so very blunt and cross that it became impossible for her to manage the scholars. At the end of the first month she was asked to resign, as the board of education had procured the services of another teacher to succeed her. And being well acquainted with the second teacher I can say she had very little trouble.

But aside from the financial and social benefit we derive from being courteous, we should be thoughtful for others, from a moral standpoint. Consider it one of our daily duties. If we will speak kindly to every one we dislike, we will find a tendency to like them after all and to overlook their shortcomings. In the first epistle of Peter, in the third chapter and eighth verse, we find, "Finally, be ye all of one mind, having compassion one of another; love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous."

Falls City, Neb.

Sisters' Society C. E.

Treasurer's Report of S. S. C. E. for the Month of November

MISSIONS

Meyersdale, Pa.,	\$ 1 00
Cerro Gordo, Ill.,	1 00
Washington, D. C.,	50
New Highland, Ind.,	75
Milledgeville, Ill.,	3 00
Garrison, Iowa,	1 00
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THEOLOGICAL CHAIR

Meyersdale, Pa.,	\$ 1 00
Nappanee, Ind.,	97
Bethel, Mich.,	80
Marcus, Iowa,	1 00
Mount Zion, Virginia,	2 00
Washington, D. C.,	50
Oakville, Indiana,	1 80
Louisville, Ohio,	4 60
Warsaw, Indiana,	1 00
Lanark, Illinois,	1 50
Ida A. Simmonds, pledge in full,	2 00
Alice E. Augustine on pledge,	1 00
David Augustine on pledge,	1 00
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SUPERANUATED MINISTERS

Meyersdale, Pa.,	\$ 1 00
Washington, D. C.,	50
Enon, Iowa,	1 48
Marcus, Iowa,	1 00
Louisville, Ohio,	50
Warsaw, Ind.,	1 00
New Highland, Ind.,	75
Nappanee, Ind.,	98
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HOLSINGER FUND

Enon congregation, Iowa, pledge in full,	\$12 00
S. J. Harrison, pledge in full,	5 50
Guilford Leslie,	3 00
Mrs. Rebecca Heft,	1 00
David Augustine,	50
C. E. S., Milford, Ind.,	50
	\$22 50

EXPENDITURES

To Brother Holsinger,	\$10 00
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Sister Laura Hedrick has sent me one hundred and sixty-six pledges given her for the S. S. C. E., in behalf of the Theological chair of Ashland University. As treasurer of the S. S. C. E., I earnestly urge that these pledges may now receive your careful considerations. I desire to hear from every brother and sister that gave a pledge, that we as a society may know what to depend on for the Theological chair from these pledges. Please do not delay writing me about your pledge.

ALICE E. AUGUSTINE.

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Our Young People

Begin With God

Begin the day with God!

He is thy sun and day;

He is the radiance of thy dawn,

To Him address thy lay.

Sing a new song at morn,

Join the glad woods and hills;

Join the fresh winds, and seas, and plains,

Join the bright flowers and rills.

Sing thy first song to God,

Not to thy fellow-man:

Not to the creatures of His hand,

But to the glorious One.

Awake cold lips and sing!

Arise, dull knees, and pray!

Lift up, O man, thy heart and eyes,

Brush slothfulness away.

Look up beyond these clouds;

Thither thy pathway lies.

Mount up, away, and linger not;

Thy goal is yonder skies.

Cast every weight aside!

Do battle with each sin;

Fight with the faithless world without,
The faithless heart within.

Take thy first meal with God;

He is thy heavenly food;

Feed with and on Him; He with thee

Will feast in brotherhood.

Take thy first walk with God!

Let Him go forth with thee;

By stream, or sea, or mountain path,
Seek still His company.

Thy first transaction be.

With God Himself above;

So shall thy business prosper well,

And all the day be love.

—Selected.

A STUDENT'S PRAYER

Psalms 19:1-14

Topic for Jan. 22. (Day of prayer for colleges.)

During recent years almost all Protestant churches have been observing the day of prayer for colleges. Many colleges are observing the day by dispensing